

Upland Weedy Community

COMMON NAME Upland Weedy Community

SYNONYM

PHYSIOGNOMIC CLASS Herbaceous vegetation (V)

PHYSIOGNOMIC SUBCLASS Annual graminoid or forb vegetation (V.D)

PHYSIOGNOMIC GROUP Temperate or subpolar annual grassland or forb vegetation (V.D.2)

PHYSIOGNOMIC SUBGROUP Planted/cultivated (V.D.2.C)

FORMATION Undefined

ALLIANCE Undefined

CLASSIFICATION CONFIDENCE LEVEL 3

USFWS WETLAND SYSTEM Upland

RANGE

Globally

Information not available.

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This community is occurs scattered throughout the study area, but is most common on the floodplain.

ENVIRONMENTAL DESCRIPTION

Globally

Information not available.

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This community occurs on disturbed sites on both the floodplain and in upland areas.

MOST ABUNDANT SPECIES

Globally

Information not available.

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Species

Herbaceous

Bromus tectorum, *Salsola* sp., *Kochia scoparia*, *Helianthus annuus*

DIAGNOSTIC SPECIES

Globally

Information not available.

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Bromus tectorum, *Salsola* sp., *Kochia scoparia*, *Helianthus annuus*, *Iva xanthifolia*

VEGETATION DESCRIPTION

Globally

Information not available.

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This community typically is dominated by annual grasses and large forbs. Herbaceous cover is usually high, from 50 - 100%, with plants to 1 m in height. Small patches of *Bromus inermis* occur in this community.

OTHER NOTEWORTHY SPECIES Information not available.

CONSERVATION RANK

RANK JUSTIFICATION

DATABASE CODE Not applicable

COMMENTS

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Bromus tectorum contributes significantly more cover early in the season. The large forbs become more significant late season. *B. tectorum* also occurs as a significant component in some of the grassland communities, especially in the *Sporobolus cryptandrus* type.

This community is a result of extensive disturbance with subsequent invasion by weedy exotic or native species. Thus, it is not placed within the National Vegetation Classification System. This community is included for possible future management considerations and represents a relatively insignificant entity within the flora.

REFERENCES